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From the Sandersville Central Georgian, April 26, 1865.

Proclamation of General Sherman.

Knowing that my command is now far in the rear, and that all communication with the North is temporarily cut off, I have thought proper to issue the following proclamation, which I request the Editors friendly to the cause of the United States of America, or rather those who have been in the habit of receiving their papers from the North, to publish in their issues of the first week after the receipt of this paper, that the people may know what is required of them, and what they may expect.

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY DIVISION OF THE MISSISSIPPI,
In the Field, Savannah, Ga., April 12th, 1865.

SPECIAL FIELD ORDERS, No. 26.

I. The following order is published for the information of all concerned:

HEADQUARTERS ARMIES OF THE UNITED STATES,
Washington City, April 1st, 1865.

Major General W. T. Sherman,
Commanding Military Division of the Mississippi, in the Field, Savannah, Ga.

GENERAL: The President of the United States instructs me to say to you and your command, that the meeting between you and General Joseph E. Johnston, and the conference had with him, were both agreeable to his wishes and entirely satisfactory to the Government. He instructs me to say that he is glad to find that you have been able to anticipate the wishes of the Government, and to relieve the country from the devastation of war, by the terms of the convention entered into between you and General Johnston, subject to the approval of the President. He also directs me to say that he is glad to find that you have been able to capture the entire rebel army now in the field, and to receive the surrender of all the rebel forces, except those which are fleeing before the armies under your command, without the loss of time which would have been consumed in the ordinary course of military operations, and without the loss of life which would have been sure to follow. He directs me to say that he is glad to find that you have been able to do this without the loss of a man, and that he is sure that the whole country will be glad to find that the war is substantially ended, and that the men who have been fighting so long and so well for the preservation of the Union, can now return to their homes and to the pursuits of peace. He directs me to say that he is sure that you will be glad to find that the Government is able to fulfill, and will fulfill, the terms of the convention made by General Johnston, and that he has directed me to say that he will support you in so doing. He directs me to say that he wishes you to say to General Johnston that he will be glad to see him at Washington City, if he will come there for the purpose of giving effect to the convention. He also directs me to say that he wishes you to say to General Johnston that he will be glad to see any officer of his command who can be spared at present, and who may be designated by him, at Washington City, for the purpose of consultation and conference.

I have the honor to be, General, your obedient servant,
(Signed) U. S. GRANT,
Lieutenant General.

II. The following correspondence between Lieutenant General U. S. Grant and General J. E. Johnston, is published for the information of all concerned:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES,
April 14th, 1865.

General J. E. Johnston,
Commanding C. S. Forces, &c.

GENERAL: Your letter of yesterday, in reference to the terms of the memorandum or basis of agreement entered into between General Sherman and yourself, on the 18th inst., is received. I have not the time to write a long letter in reply, as I am now on my way to Washington City, and shall be engaged in a general consultation with the authorities there. I will say, however, that I am not aware that General Sherman has any authority to express the views you have given in your letter, and I am sure he has not the power to enter into any negotiations that will look to the recognition of the rebel authorities in civil matters. I am, General, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
(Signed) U. S. GRANT,
Lieutenant General.

HEADQUARTERS ARMIES OF THE UNITED STATES,
April 14th, 1865.

General Order No. 23.

After four years of arduous service, marked by unsurpassed courage and endurance, by patient self-sacrifice and devotion which have compelled the admiration of the world, you have conquered a peace, and laid down your arms, not until you had exhausted every resource, and every means by which you could further prolong the struggle for the principles you had undertaken to defend. You have done all that could be required of soldiers. Your task is done. Every effort has been made for your comfort and welfare that circumstances would permit, and you are now about to return to your homes and friends, there to remain undisturbed so long as you continue to observe the conditions of your parole, and the laws in force where you reside. The Government of the United States will see that you are protected as far as possible from violence, but it looks also to you to yield obedience to law and authority as the only means of securing the benefits and blessings of peace.

Given at my Headquarters, near Greensboro, N. C., this 14th day of April, 1865.

By command of Lieutenant General U. S. Grant.
(Signed) E. S. PARKER,
Lieut. Col. A. A. G.

By command of R. E. Lee.
C. L. VENABLE, A. A. G.

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[Rome (Ga.) Bulletin, 4th.

ATROCIOUS MURDER!

The following statement, of a most atrocious murder, has been given to us by a gentleman who arrived in Rome on Saturday last, and can be relied on as correct.

Lewis, the Felon of the murder of Dr. Brown, escaped from the jail of Floyd county, on the night of the 16th inst., by breaking out two iron bars of the window. He remained in town until Monday, the 17th, when he procured a copy of the one issued by General Lewis' order.

"It," the said negroid, commanding officer of the 6th, or the white soldiers of this city, belong to a regiment of colored troops that are now on duty in Rome, and was composed of men who have been in the army since the war began. He was formerly a slave of Dr. Brown, and was commanding said army in Lewis, Geo., by Gen. Wilson, and was in command of the U. S. troops; give my sole support to the Government of the United States, and shall not consider myself as in the ranks of the Confederate States, or in any military capacity whatever against the United States of America, or render aid to the friends of the latter, until properly exchanged, in such manner as shall be mutually approved by the respective authorities.

Done at Appomattox Court House, this 9th day of April, 1865.

Lee's Capitulation.

CARVING OUT THE TERMS OF THE SURRENDER.

The appointed hour of three o'clock arrived, and Gen. Grant, accompanied by his staff, and followed by a large body of mounted officers, rode up the road to the house of Mr. McLean, and dismounted in front of the door. Gen. Lee, with a single staff officer, rode up the road from the direction of the village, and was met by Gen. Grant at the door of the house. Gen. Grant and Gen. Lee then entered the house, followed only by Colonel Marshall, Gen. Grant's staff officer, and Colonel Sweitzer, of his staff, and Colonel Babcock, of Gen. Sheridan's staff. The room in which they met was small, and contained very little furniture. Gen. Lee was accompanied by Colonel Marshall, his staff officer, and Colonel Charles Marshall, his military secretary. Gen. Lee was dressed in a full uniform of gray cloth, entirely new, and wore a handsome sword and sash, and high cavalry boots, reaching above the knee, and handsomely embroidered with gold. He is a portly, fine looking man, about fifty-five years of age, and of fine presence. Gen. Grant was dressed in a plain suit of dark blue flannel shirt, without any marks of rank, except the shoulder straps of a Lieutenant General, and wore a pair of cavalry boots, pantaloons tucked inside. He had no sword, sash or belt, and his general appearance was in marked contrast to that of Gen. Lee. He is about five feet eight inches high, and of a size proportionate to his height, strongly but compactly built, and of a fine, soldierly appearance. His features are prominent, and his face is covered with a full, dark beard, slightly sprinkled with gray. His eyes are remarkably expressive, and his whole appearance is that of a man of great force of character, and great decision and firmness. He was without his coat, vest or hat, when he entered the room, and wore a single straight shoulder strap, indicating his rank of Lieutenant General.

Gen. Lee, on entering the room, walked up to the table, and, taking a pen, commenced writing. He wrote rapidly for a few minutes, and then, looking up, said to Gen. Grant that he had written to him yesterday, asking the terms he proposed to offer, and that he had prepared the terms in writing, and would like to see what they were. Gen. Grant replied that he had, and that he would send them to him immediately. He then commenced writing, and wrote for some time, and then handed the paper to Gen. Lee. Gen. Lee read it carefully, and then handed it to Gen. Grant, saying that he had a pencil memorandum of the terms he had written, and would like to see if they were correctly stated. Gen. Grant read the paper, and then returned it to Gen. Lee, saying that he thought they were correctly stated. Gen. Lee then said that he had not a copy of the terms, and would like to have one. Gen. Grant replied that he would have one made, and Gen. Lee then handed the paper to Colonel Marshall, his staff officer, and directed him to make a copy of the terms. Colonel Marshall then sat down at a table, and commenced writing, and Gen. Grant, Gen. Lee, and the officers present, all sat down and engaged in a general conversation, which was carried on in a low tone, and was not participated in by the others present. The conversation was of a general character, and related entirely to matters of no importance. Gen. Grant told Gen. Lee that he had a short time before received a letter from Mrs. Lee, who was then in Washington, and that he had sent a message to her, informing her that he had heard from Gen. Lee, and that she would probably soon be able to see him. Gen. Lee replied that he had received a letter from Mrs. Lee, informing him of the fact, and that he was glad to hear that she would soon be able to see her. Gen. Grant then said that Mrs. Lee had been very kind to Mrs. Grant, and had rendered her many services during the winter, when Mrs. Grant was in Washington alone. Gen. Lee replied that he was glad to hear that Mrs. Lee had been able to render Mrs. Grant any assistance in her power, and that he was sure that she had been very much pleased to do so. Gen. Grant then said that Mrs. Lee had been very kind to Mrs. Grant's children, and had shown them much attention. Gen. Lee replied that he was glad to hear that Mrs. Lee had been able to do so much for Mrs. Grant's children, and that he was sure that she had been very much pleased to do so. Gen. Grant then said that Mrs. Lee had been very kind to Mrs. Grant's children, and had shown them much attention. Gen. Lee replied that he was glad to hear that Mrs. Lee had been able to render Mrs. Grant's children any assistance in her power

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THE INTERVIEW.—GEN. LEE.—The particulars of this memorable affair we publish this week, as far as they from Northern papers and other sources, have come before us. It is to be the federal leaders, Lee's army was the hope of the Confederacy, and had they been defeated or borne the brunt of having for four years battled back the assault at a point of the first practical importance of the North had united every feeling in opposition to slavery and disunionism. His well known character, the "Savior of Southern Virginia" was the pride of every true Confederate, and his personal bravery and influence took equal rank in the estimation of the Spartan band. But the fatal chasm has been realized by the consolidation of our, until now, more hopeful remnants. Only 8,000 muskets to equip 20,000 well equipped, well disciplined troops. And yet these 8,000 never faltered, but kept the battle-line locked to the last. The very name of it thrills justice. Whole armies may be routed by strong yet inferior and yet they will not be routed. Noble soldiers knowing high may be enabled and with that knowledge they will die, but they will not leave, required their post deserted. All honor to you the 8,000 men, who were not to die but not to flinch in duty. But what shall we say of the men who deserted their shields in the hour of the distress, and threw down their arms? We know them to be victims of the panic, and not cowards, and deserters, and pray the well over the disgraceful flight.

But we will not dwell upon the surrender of Lee's host deprived him of our cause. We are in the hands of the Lord, and He reigneth. And if our cause is just and we are deserving of success, the result will prove glorious. And if this is not the case, we are in the hands of God. The sentiment of every heart should be, why will we murmur at His decrees.

PEACE.—The sentiment seems to have received quite a sanguinary mark, that the best guarantee for peace is to be well armed, and keep at it. Long, long and earnestly have the people of the South hoped for peace for peace, but not upon such terms as he which are now about to submit, and consenting to the Union. As soon as the Union is restored to us, we were out of the secession school. But when it was refused to us, we were driven from that, with honor, Georgia could not longer remain a member under all federal family, the tie that bound us to the Union severed, and the banner of the South unfurled to the breeze, we united ourselves to the fate of the South. The thought of reconstruction has ever been loathsome to us. Slowly, surely, and, we may be saying dangerous in ourselves, begin to see that will be under long intolerable yoke. Let it be so, if all hope of peace be departed, we say again receive the bastards for the union of the South, and we are free. When we regarded the terms of the union of the States and the Government other fields more glorious by death are value, and well as this the sacrifice they made to gain them, we can submit to surrendering. But as it was not in vain. They fought as one united people and gained the victory, the surrender, the surrendering determination of the South are arms will be sung by succeeding nations.

And now, if rebels as we may, let us be well prepared to meet the enemy in such a position We are not defeated, but conquered by numbers, by rights from every quarter, and we can let them be so whipping, stop-pied, beat him, beg, and whip. Now is this a subject for us? We are thereby a great many the nations of the north, for as a man our fire.

HOME.—Of a most favorable report of the terms of a re-proposed by the Federals. The most favorable of which is that we are allowed to the Union with all rights under the Constitution guaranteed, and that the debt of both governments be consolidated and the payment thereof be assumed by the general Government.

From Macon papers we have furnished us by friends from that city, we glean the following items:

GEN. J. G. Tall commands the post of Macon, and has issued the following regulations:

The citizens of Macon are directed to open their various places of business and resume trade, and the people in the country around the city are invited to bring their produce there to market as they will be protected in persons and property.

Citizens may be spared for public service in all branches of military organization, and all legitimate business resumed, without fear of molestation of authority.

Passes will not be required from citizens passing through the city. All Confederate officers so passing will not be required to report to headquarters to register their names and present passes.

In case of fire, the officers on provost duty will immediately report to headquarters to receive their commands to the scene of the fire, and they must act as an organization. The public will be in the streets promptly and orderly and all pickpurses, keep the streets clear of citizens and the fire engines, ladders, and hose.

Federal officers visiting the city after night must procure passes from the Post Provost Marshal.

Retailers are not on duty, will not be permitted to sell any liquor to soldiers or citizens.

Paroled officers, and any soldiers found exercising private authority over citizens, will be arrested and punished in accordance with the regulations of the army. Signed, Gen. Tall, Headquarters, Country Corps